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page 6 Roger Baker introduces Bessie, the new accomplice to **Dr Who** and talks to Jon Pertwee, who plays the doctor. Saturday BBC1. **Jack Bruce**, reluctant pop star and subject of Omnibus, Sunday BBC-1, talks to Daniel Yergin.

Dr Who has acquired a smooth little accomplice in the shape of Bessie. Roger Baker describes the relationship of Bessie and Jon Pertwee, the new Dr Who

# Two Edwardian chassis

Dr Who: Saturday 5.15 BBC1 Colour

Latest addition to the diverting accumulation of gadgets, machines and monsters associated with the adventures of **Dr Who** is a trim little number called Bessie. She makes her debut in this week's episode and while working on location drew spontaneous gasps of admiration from passers-by. Bessie is neat, eye-catching, has her fair share of personality and is a dolly yellow motorcar.

The Dr Who team is tickled pink with their new toy. 'Yes, we

think viewers will grow quite affectionate towards Bessie,' says

producer Barry Letts.

Bessie is more a creature of the world of witty magic than of conventional science fiction. She looks like an Edwardian roadster, but for those who must know, her vital statistics are a Ford Popular chassis and engine surmounted by a specially built and painted glass fibre body - a visual reminder of the graceful past but possessing the technological prowess needed to help Dr Who fight a sinister

threat to England. Her vintage looks neatly match the Edwardian image being pro-jected by the new Dr Who him-self-Jon Pertwee, who gave the

car her name.

'Apart from once or twice in

its very early days I had never seen the series, says Pertwee, so I really had no pre-conceived notions about how the part should be played. And since Dr Who has himself been re-created for this series, it isn't like taking over a part as in the theatre when the previous actor has established the role.

role. 'I am choosing to play the character straight, I'm not looking play for comedy but allowing the comic aspects to happen.' emerge

Those frilled shirts and velvet jackets Jon Pertwee wears are exact copies of his own grand-father's clothes, the originals of which he wore for initial Dr Who

photographs.

Pertwee, branch of a many-Jon flowering family tree distinguished in writing and in the theatre, has had a wide show-business experience – from musichall, cabaret, stand-up comedian in variety, circus even, as well as the series of radio shows he did with Eric Barker, for whom he holds the greatest admiration. Catchphrases Pertwee created are still remembered with nostalgic affection, though one gets the impression that he rather wishes they weren't.

Apart from doing guest spots a few shows I refused to ach television for years,' he touch television for years,' he says. This was largely because he wanted to move away from his general image as a quick comedian and present himself as a comedy

actor.

In the last few years London's theatre audiences have been made

happily aware of the other side of Jon Pertwee, having seen him in the musical A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, the comedy There's a Girl in my Soup, and in the farce Oh my Soup, and in the farce Oh Clarence. The prospect of playing the amiably eccentric doctor had, therefore, a particularly strong appeal to Jon Pertwee. And his double-act with Bessie looks like proving a huge success. Photograph by IAN YOEMANS

You can hear Jon Pertwee at 2.0 every Sunday in Radio 2's comedy series The Navy Lark.



Together in Spearhead from Space . . . Dr Who and Bessie

## 5.15 Colour: New series Dr Who

starring
Jon Pertwee
with
Caroline John
and Nicholas Courtney
Dr Who and the Silurians

by MALCOLM HULKE
Part 1: Trouble in an Atomic
Research centre and rumours of
monsters in the nearby caves.
The Doctor investigates – and
finds more than he bargained for.

Spencer.....JOHN NEWMAN
Davis.....BILL MATTHEWS
Dr Who....JON PERTWEE
Liz Shaw....CAROLINE JOHN
Dr Lawrence...PETER MILES
Brigadier Lethbridge Stewart

NICHOLAS COURTNEY
Major Baker.....NORMAN JONES
Miss Dawson..THOMASINE HEINER
Dr Quinn....FULTON MACKAY
Roberts ...ROY BRANIGAN
Dr Meredith...IAN CUNNINGHAM

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2.10\*
The European
Figure Skating
Championships
of 1970

Commentator in
Leningrad ALAN WEEKS
Presented by the Russian TV Service

2.50\*

Rugby: Wales v Scotland
The whole of the International at
Cardiff Arms Park
Commentator BILL MCLAREN with
summaries by CLIFF MORGAN
TV presentation by DEWI GRIFFITHS
(Also on Radio)
(Ian Smith warns Wales: page 12)

4.50\* Results Service

Latest football scores, racing results, and news throughout the afternoon, and the Teleprinter Service at 4.40\*

Timings are subject to alteration

Grandstand presented for television by BRIAN VENNER Edited by ALAN HART

#### 5.15 Colour Dr Who

starring Jon Pertwee with Caroline John and Nicholas Courtney Dr Who and the Silurians by MALCOLM HULKE

Part 2: The Brigadier insists on exploring the caves. The party have a terrifying encounter – leading to great danger for Liz.

Dr Who......JON PERTWEE Liz Shaw.....CAROLINE JOHN

Brigadier Lethbridge Stewart

Major Baker. ....NORMAN JONES
Dr Quinn......FULTON MACKAY
Miss Dawson..THOMASINE HEINER
Dr Lawrence. ....PETER MILES
Captain Hawkins....PAUL DARROW
Silurian. ....PAT GORMAN
Silurian voice. ....PETER HALLIDAY
Doris Squire. ....NANCIE JACKSON
Squire. .....GORDON RICHARDSON

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#### 5.40 Colour The Debbie Reynolds Show

in which this lovely film star makes her television debut in a new comedy series

Debbie Reynolds
stars as Debbie Thompson
at home with the family she delights, mystifies, and maddens . . .
Husband Jim......DON CHASTAIN
Sister Charlotte...PATRICIA SMITH
Brother-in-law Bob....TOM BOSLEY
Nephew Bruce....BOBBY RIHA

This week: The Bodyguard ... takes steps to protect her man!

6.5 Colour The News

Weatherman GRAHAM PARKER

starring Jon Pertwee with Caroline John and Nicholas Courtney Dr Who and the Silurians by MALCOLM HULKE

Part 3: The wounded Silurian is hunted by the Brigadier and his men. But it is the Doctor who first meets a Silurian face to face.

Captain Hawkins....PAUL DARROW
Major Baker.....NORMAN JONES
Dr Lawrence....PETER MILES

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starring Jon Pertwee with Caroline John and Nicholas Courtney Dr Who and the Silurians by MALCOLM HULKE Part 4: The Doctor and Liz discover the secret of the monsters in the caves.

Dr Who.....JON PERTWEE Silurian.....PAT GORMAN Major Baker.....NORMAN JONES Sergeant Hart.....RICHARD STEELE Old Silurian ......DAVE CARTER Young Silurian.....NIGEL JOHNS Silurians.....PAUL BARTON

SIMON CAIN, JOHN CHURCHILL

Liz Shaw......CAROLINE JOHN Brigadier Lethbridge Stewart

NICHOLAS COURTNEY Travis .....IAN TALBOT Dr Lawrence......PETER MILES Masters.....GEOFFREY PALMER Silurian Voices....PETER HALLIDAY Miss Dawson...THOMASINE HEINER Captain Hawkins ..... PAUL DARROW

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starring Jon Pertwee with Caroline John and Nicholas Courtney Dr Who and the Silurians by MALCOLM HULKE

Part 5: The Doctor tries to save the Brigadier and his men, and the Silurians strike a terrible blow against mankind. Dr Who......JON PERTWEE Major Baker.....NORMAN JONES Young Silurian.....NIGEL JOHNS Old Silurian......DAVE CARTER Silurian voices.....PETER HALLIDAY

Brigadier Lethbridge Stewart

NICHOLAS COURTNEY Captain Hawkins ..... PAUL DARROW Liz Shaw.....CAROLINE JOHN Masters.....GEOFFREY PALMER Dr Lawrence......PETER MILES Miss Dawson...THOMASINE HEINER Silurian scientist......PAT GORMAN Silurians......PAUL BARTON

SIMON CAIN, JOHN CHURCHILL

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starring Jon Pertwee with Caroline John and Nicholas Courtney

Dr Who and the Silurians by MALCOLM HULKE

Part 6: The Doctor struggles to find a cure for the disease the Silurians have unleashed . . . and the Silurians plan to deal with the Doctor.



Dr Who......JON PERTWEE Brigadier Lethbridge Stewart

NICHOLAS COURTNEY
Hospital Doctor...Brendan Barry
Liz Shaw......CAROLINE JOHN
Masters......GEOFFREY PALMER
Young Silurian......NIGEL JOHNS

Silurian scientist.....PAT GORMAN Silurian voices.....PETER HALLIDAY Dr Lawrence......PETER MILES Private Wright....DEREK POLLITT Captain Hawkins....PAUL DARROW Sergeant Hart....RICHARD STEELE Corporal Nutting....ALAN MASON Silurian....SIMON CAIN

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5.40 Colour

### The Debbie Reynolds Show

Debbie Reynolds starring as
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she delights, mystifies, maddens
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Sister Charlotte....PATRICIA SMITH
Brother-in-law Bob....TOM BOSLEY
Nephew Bruce......BOBBY RIHA

This week: A Present for Jim ... but the future looks grim!

6.5 Colour The News

Weatherman GRAHAM PARKER

starring Jon Pertwee with Caroline John, Nicholas Courtney

Dr Who and the Silurians by MALCOLM HULKE Part 7: The Silurians attack the Research Centre-first step in a plan to recapture the world.

Dr Who.......JON PERTWEE
Young Silurian.....NIGEL JOHNS
Silurian scientist.....PAT GORMAN
Brigadier Lethbridge Stewart

NICHOLAS COURTNEY

Liz Shaw......CAROLINE JOHN
Captain Hawkins.....PAUL DARROW
Corporal Nutting.....ALAN MASON
Silurians.PAUL BARTON, SIMON CAIN

JOHN CHURCHILL, DAVE CARTER Silurian voices.....PETER HALLIDAY

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and the BBC Radiophonic Workshop
Incidental music by Carev Blyton
Costumes Christine Rawlins
Make-up Marion Richards, Teresa Wright
Visual effects James Ward
Script editor Terrance Dicks
Designer Barry Newbery
Producer Barry Letts
Directed by Timorthy Combs †

6.00 Doctor Who PM The first of a seven-part adventure starring Jon Pertwee. Doctor Who and the Silurians (part 1). The Doctor and Liz

investigate trouble at an atomic research station. Written by Malcolm Hulke; Producer Barry Letts 385465

6.00 Doctor Who PM Continuing a seven-part adventure starring Jon Pertwee. Doctor Who and the Silurians (part 2). As the Brigadier investigates the caves. Liz has a terrifying encounter.

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Written by Malcolm Hulke: Producer Barry Letts

**6.00 Doctor Who**PM Continuing a seven-part adventure starring Jon Pertwee.

Doctor Who and the Silurians (part 3). As the Brigadier

hunts one Silurian, the Doctor meets another face to face.

Written by Malcolm Hulke; Producer Barry Letts
Director Timothy Combe (R) (S) 133266

6.00 Doctor Who PM Continuing a seven-part adventure starring Jon Pertwee. Doctor Who and the Silurians (part 4). The Doctor and Liz

enter the caves to try to discover the Silurians' secret.

Written by Malcolm Hulke; Producer Barry Letts
Director Timothy Combe (R) (S) 109029

**6.00 Doctor Who**PM Continuing a seven-part adventure starring Jon Pertwee.

Doctor Who and the Silurians (part 5). The Silurians find an ally after the Brigadier's troops invade the caves.

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Written by Malcolm Hulke; Producer Barry Letts

Director Timothy Combe (R) (S)

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6.00 Doctor Who PM Continuing a seven-part adventure starring Jon Pertwee. Doctor Who and the Silurians (part 6). The Doctor battles to find a cure for the disease the Silurians have unleashed.

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Written by Malcolm Hulke: Producer Barry Letts

6.00 Doctor Who PM Concluding a seven-part adventure starring Jon Pertwee. Doctor Who and the Silurians (part 7). The Silurians attack

the research centre in their bid for world domination.

Written by Malcolm Hulke: Producer Barry Letts

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